

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/053,186

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For: DRIVE MECHANISM EMPLOYING

ELECTROMECHANICAL TRANSDUCER AND

METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE DRIVE

MECHANISM

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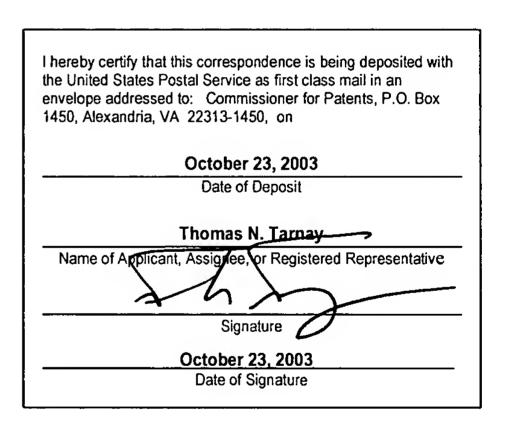
MS NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:



AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2003, which provides for a response period ending September 27, 2003.

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Amendment dated October 23, 2003

Reply to Office Action of June 27, 2003

A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action, dated June 27, 2003, for one additional month to October 27, 2003, is being filed concurrently.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 10 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: